

INFORMATION BULLETIN

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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

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REFORM ACT OF 1989

The purpose of this information bulletin is to inform you about the pending change in status of the Bureau for Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education (BPPVE) within the California Department of Consumers Affairs. The BPPVE is responsible for approving California's private post-secondary degree-granting, non-degree granting and vocational institutions in compliance with the Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education Reform Act of 1989 (Act). The Act will become inoperative on July 1, 2007, and as of January 1, 2008, is repealed unless another statute is enacted that becomes operative on or before January 1, 2008. The Employment Development Department is aware of how the pending sunset date will impact the administration of California's Eligible Training Program List (ETPL). At this time, Local Workforce Investment Boards should continue to follow the policy and procedures prescribed in Workforce Investment Act Directive WIAD06-15 for determining a provider and the program's initial eligibility for inclusion on the statewide ETPL.

The Workforce Services Division in cooperation with the California Workforce Investment Board will issue further guidance on this issue as we receive a final indication regarding the future of the BPPVE. Two legislative bills, Assembly Bill 1525 (Cook) and Senate Bill 823 (Perata), were introduced on February 23, 2007, relating to private postsecondary education. For updates regarding the BPPVE's pending sunset, please visit their Web site at www.bppve.ca.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact your Regional Advisor at (916) 654-7799.

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